

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

HAND DELIVERED

JOHN G. ROWLAND
GOVERNOR

April 29, 2003

The Honorable Susan Bysiewicz
The Secretary of the State
State Capitol, Room 104
Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Dear Secretary Bysiewicz:

The Help America Vote Act of 2002, was signed into law by President George W. Bush on October 29, 2002. The states are eligible to receive federal funding to assist them in meeting new federal voting requirements. In order to receive that federal funding, the states must file a formal certification under Title I of the Act by today.

Were the state to file a certification under Section 102 of the Act, that section then requires the state to ensure that all lever voting machines in each of the 780 precincts across the state are replaced by next year's federal election or, with a one-time waiver, by January 1, 2006. While I certainly support taking all steps necessary to meet the new federal voting requirements, I do not wish to file a Section 102 certification and mandate that the municipalities replace all of their existing lever voting machines within the time allotted, without affording them the opportunity to explore alternatives available to them under the Act. Indeed, the Act does not require Connecticut's municipalities to replace their existing lever equipment, so long as the voting equipment meets federal voting requirements.

Please file the requisite electronic certification under Section 101, and not under Section 102, on behalf of the State of Connecticut.

I appreciate your efforts as the Chief Election Official in keeping this office abreast of federal voting requirements and assisting the municipalities in meeting those requirements. I look forward to the results of this November's demonstration project with the electronic voting machines that your office is overseeing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John G. Rowland".

JOHN G. ROWLAND
Governor

FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT
(Long Form)

(Follow instructions on the back)

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1. Federal Agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted US Election Assistance Commission		2. Federal Grant or Other Identifying Number Assigned By Federal Agency Title I, 101		OMB Approval No. 0348-0039	Page of 1 1 pages
3. Recipient Organization (Name and complete address, including ZIP code) Secretary of the State, 30 Trinity Street, Hartford, CT 06106					
4. Employer Identification Number [REDACTED]		5. Recipient Account Number or Identifying Number CDFA #39.011		6. Final Report <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
7. Basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual		8. Funding/Grant Period (See instructions) From: (Month, Day, Year) 5/1/2003		9. Period Covered by this Report From: (Month, Day, Year) 5/1/2003 To: (Month, Day, Year) 12/31/2003 <i>until Disbursed</i>	
10. Transactions:					
		I	I	III	
		Previously Reported	This Period	Cumulative	
a. Total outlays			100,483.00	100,483.00	
b. Refunds, rebates, etc.				0.00	
c. Program income used in accordance with the deduction alternative				0.00	
d. Net outlays (Line a, less the sum of lines b and c)	0.00		100,483.00	100,483.00	
Recipient's share of net outlays, consisting of:					
e. Third party (in-kind) contributions				0.00	
f. Other Federal awards authorized to be used to match this award				0.00	
g. Program income used in accordance with the matching or cost sharing alternative				0.00	
h. All other recipient outlays not shown on lines e, f or g				0.00	
i. Total recipient share of net outlays (Sum of lines e, f, g and h)	0.00		0.00	0.00	
j. Federal share of net outlays (line d less line i)	0.00		100,483.00	100,483.00	
k. Total unliquidated obligations					
l. Recipient's share of unliquidated obligations					
m. Federal share of unliquidated obligations					
n. Total Federal share (sum of lines j and m)				100,483.00	
o. Total Federal funds authorized for this funding period				5,000,000.00	
p. Unobligated balance of Federal funds (Line o minus line n)				4,899,517.00	
Program income, consisting of:					
q. Disbursed program income shown on lines c and/or g above					
r. Disbursed program income using the addition alternative					
s. Undisbursed program income					
t. Total program income realized (Sum of lines q, r and s)				0.00	
11. Indirect Expense	a. Type of Rate (Place "X" in appropriate box) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Provisional <input type="checkbox"/> Predetermined <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Fixed				
	b. Rate	c. Base	d. Total Amount	e. Federal Share	
12. Remarks: Attach any explanations deemed necessary or information required by Federal sponsoring agency in compliance with governing legislation.					
13. Certification: I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that this report is correct and complete and that all outlays and unliquidated obligations are for the purposes set forth in the award documents.					
Typed or Printed Name and Title Lesley Mara, Deputy Secretary of the State			Telephone (Area code, number and extension) 860-509-6212		
Signature of Authorized Certifying Official <i>Lesley Mara</i>			Date Report Submitted January 24, 2007		

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